

Butte Department.

IT'S A GOOD COUNTRY

Butte Capitalists Looking in the Direction of Trail Creek.

A STRIKE IN THE COLONNA

The Local Paper There Gives an Interesting Account of the Development of That Promising Young Prospect.

Just at present Trail creek mines are making more furor among Butte people than anything else. Most all Butte men who engage in mining operations at all are interested in Trail creek or are getting interested.

Such being the case the following from the Trail Creek Miner, respecting property in which some Butte men are financially interested, is worthy of being read:

"A strike of great importance was made last Monday on the Colonna, a claim lying on the west side of Monte Christo hill, just north of the Monte Christo claim. The full significance of the discovery was not known till Thursday when assays were made of ore taken three feet below the surface. The Colonna was sold last week by the owners, George Pfunder, Brig Young and W. H. Lane, to Charles Schmidt of Butte, who purchased for himself and Louis Lienemann of that city. As soon as the sale was made George Pfunder was engaged to take charge of the development of the property, and he sent two or three men out to carefully prospect the ground.

"The Colonna occupies a steep declivity running from the Evening Star, which adjoins it on the east, down to the gulch separating Monte Christo hill from Red Mountain. The ground was all burned over last August by the forest fire which came so near destroying the town of Rossland, hence it has a barren, desolate appearance. There is a considerable depth of soil and waste, loose rock, the former being of the usual yellowish tinge. There are no external indications of a ledge, and the ground was not taken up till last spring, so unpromising was it in appearance. After making numerous open cuts in which they found no indication of a ledge, the men made an opening at a point near the center of the claim and they had not gone into the hill a foot until they found copper stain and ledge matter. It was but a streak at first, but widened out with each blow of the pick and some rich looking ore began to show itself. They had made considerable progress by Wednesday, when the first assays were had. Three samples showed \$65, \$33 and \$38.20 in gold and an average of 37 1/2 per cent. of copper. It was evident a rich body of ore had been found—one of the richest ever discovered in the camp, the copper being the astonishing feature. Other samples were taken the following day, one of which showed \$38 in gold and the other \$34.50 in gold. This was even better than the first tests and aroused still deeper interest among those who knew of the discovery.

"Not enough work has been done to reveal the full extent of the vein. It appears to be about four feet deep at the bottom of the hole, and has the customary dip to the north, running east and west and parallel to the Monte Christo ledge a few hundred feet south. In what appears to be the center on the upper or east side, is a section of gong and some talc. This, as it goes down, turns into black oxide of copper which lies in a loose, gravelly-like mass which can be scooped up by hand. This is rich both in gold and copper. On either side of this seam is a body of ore of undetermined extent, carrying copper in various forms. Much of this is shot through with native copper, while other portions show copper glance or copper pyrites. It is certainly the most beautiful ore ever seen in the camp. It bears the external marks of its intrinsic worth.

"Mr. Pfunder set the men to work at various points farther down the hill where he thought they might accept the ledge, and they found it Thursday about 300 feet west of the first opening and a good deal to the north of a straight east and west line. Some surface strippings showed the ledge to be in place and to be of about the same extent and to carry about the same quality of ore as in the open cut above. It is therefore a reasonable inference that the strike is one of value—perhaps of very great value, and at least another illustration is afforded of the fact that discoveries are yet to be made in this immediate vicinity. This last discovery adds to the growing importance of Monte Christo Hill, it being the home of the Iron Horse, the Evening Star, the Monte Cristo and the Colonna—all of very promising character. The Colonna vein strikes directly toward the Evening Star and its rich character affords additional evidence of the existence of a large central ledge of high grade ore on the latter property. Veins seem to run out from the Evening Star in many directions. They seem to be thrown out like lava streams from a central crater. This Colonna vein seems to be a big offshoot from the general nest of ledges on the Evening Star ground, though much higher in copper than anything yet found on that claim. All this, however, is more or less speculative. The development work now going on will soon unravel the mystery of the Evening Star and its neighbors. Whatever the truth may be there can hardly be a question as to the permanent value of the strike on the Colonna."

JOE COLE'S CASE.

It is in Court and the Trial is Now Fairly On.

Special Dispatch to the Standard. Bozeman, Oct. 16.—When court convened at 10 o'clock yesterday morning the case set for that time was that of Joseph Cole, charged with an attempt to murder John Glessey on the evening of March 22 last, and also the more serious charge of the murder of David Humphrey on the same evening. The circumstances are these: That upon the evening of March 22, 1895, some one shot at John Glessey through the window of his cabin, at his ranch, near Flathead pass, about 20 miles north of Bozeman, the bullet just touching the lobe of Mr. Glessey's ear, and that upon the same evening, and but a few minutes after the shot was fired at Mr. Glessey some one shot and killed Mr. Humphrey.

David Humphrey lived about a half mile from the Glessey ranch and hearing his dog barking and making a great fuss he stepped to the door of his house for the purpose of quieting him when the fatal shot was fired. The evidence is entirely circumstantial, but is very strong against the prisoner, no suspicion having rested upon any other party since the time of the shooting.

The entire forenoon yesterday was given to examining jurors, but, although the entire 24 who had been called were questioned, no choice of a single juror was made, and a special venire was issued by Judge Armstrong for 24 more to be present this morning at the opening of court at 10 o'clock.

The case against Cole of attempted murder has been continued until the next term of court, and the court will try the prisoner upon the charge of murder. Luce and Luce will defend the prisoner while Hartman and Hartman will assist County Attorney Holloway in the prosecution, having been retained for this purpose by the heirs of the murdered man.

To-day 12 jurors were chosen by noon and this afternoon two witnesses were examined for the prosecution and the third party also. The jurors are: E. D. Johnson, A. G. Johnson, Thomas Maxwell, Adam Marks, C. L. Davies, Thomas Newman, J. W. Eden, Alonzo Vanakin, E. L. Stowe, W. J. Crittenden, M. J. Flannery and Steve Newman. This is the most important case that has come up for trial in Gallatin county in the last 15 years.

THE INQUEST.

Three Victims Will Be Buried Here, One Will Be Shipped to St. Paul.

The inquest over the men who met so shocking a death while working on the Northern Pacific trestle was held yesterday morning, and a verdict arrived at. Seventeen workmen employed on the bridge were brought to Butte to testify in the case. There was not much variation in the testimony given. All had about the same idea of the causes which led to the accident. James W. Forbes, attorney, was present to look after the interests of the Northern Pacific road, and occasionally questioned a witness. A stenographer was also present to take the evidence down verbatim. After the witnesses had all been examined the jury retired and presently returned with this verdict:

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MR. YODER WILL ATTEND TO IT

Now That the Law Respecting Laundries is Found to Be Constitutional, It Will Be Rigidly Enforced Henceforth.

City Treasurer Yoder will now proceed to bring the proprietors of Butte's Chinese laundries to time. It will be remembered that the license law charges steam laundries a license of \$15 per month while "other than steam laundries" are charged \$25 per month. This it was argued by the Chinamen, was class legislation. The steam laundries do tenfold the business they do, and therefore should pay a greater instead of a less license. It was tacitly understood by the authorities that washerwomen who also would come under the head of "other than steam laundries" should not be taxed at all, the Chinamen being the people the makers of the law were after.

Mr. Yoder was in doubt last summer whether to arrest the Chinamen who refused to pay this license or not. They made preparations to test the law as soon as they should be closed up or interfered with in any way. Learning, however, that a case to test the legality of the law was to be tried in Helena, he concluded to let the matter go until the supreme court should pass on it.

The decision on this case was rendered by Justice DeWitt of the supreme court on Monday. The justice held that the license law relating to the licensing of laundries is constitutional. The statement of the case at issue as given in the Independent is as follows:

"The State, ex rel. Sam Tol, respondent, vs. E. S. French, county treasurer, appellant, from Lewis and Clarke county. Sam Tol, a Helena laundryman, offered the county treasurer \$10 in payment of a license for one quarter for running a laundry other than a steam laundry. The county treasurer refused to accept it as the new codes provide that such laundries as Sam Tol is conducting must pay a license of \$25 a quarter. The law also provides that steam laundries shall pay \$15 a quarter. Tol made application for a writ of mandate to compel the county treasurer to accept \$10 in full. His attorneys alleged the license law was class legislation directed only against Chinese and was therefore unconstitutional. The district court granted the petition for a writ and the county treasurer appealed.

The supreme court in an elaborate opinion by Justice DeWitt holds that the district court erred in issuing the writ of mandate. The judgment is reversed and the case is remanded with directions to dismiss the writ.

This disposes of all doubt in the case and Mr. Yoder will now proceed to go after the Chinese laundrymen of the city of Butte and compel them to pay the license demanded or go out of business. Cries of anguish from Chinatown may be expected in a few days.

To-Day's Entries at Morris Park.

Following are entries and weights for to-day's races at Morris Park:

First race, selling, five-eighths of a mile for 2-year-olds—Doc Grimes, 115; Mack Briggs, Roundman, Bemama, 108; Refuzee, Alarm, (formerly Joe Rogers), Yankee Doodle, 106; Pembroke, Premier, Order Joe, Dr. Robb, 104; Right Royal, Medica, Starbed Fawn, Laviana, Bessie Browning, Marzian, 98.

Second race, mile and an eighth, handicap—Roy el Santa Anita, 136; Lamp-lighter, 125; Bathampton, 118; Belmar, 106; Merry Prince, 90.

Third race, selling, three-quarters of a mile—Hugh Penny, Sirrocco, 110; Harry Reed, 108; Jack of Spades, 107; Walizer, 106; Preston, 104; Sir Francis, Iola, Arabian, 97; Eddie Dean, 89.

Fourth race, withers stake, one mile—Nanki Pooh, 125; Gotham, 111; Lucania, 109; Brandywine, 100; Monaco, 98; Doggett, 95; Hawarden, 92; Bellicose, Rosedale, 90.

Fifth race, three-quarters of a mile for maiden 2-year-olds—March, Whippany, Bon Ami, 111; My Nettie, Double or Quits, Golf, Allegro, St. Agnes, Bolsterous, John Hayes, 108.

Sixth race, selling, one mile—Sun Up, 109; Hestia, 106; Sir Francis, Arabian, 104; Key West, 92; Mother of Pearl, The Coon, Ina, 89; Second Attempt, 88.

Track good, clear.

The Suit Against the O. R. & N. Co.

San Francisco, Oct. 16.—In the United States circuit court of appeals to-day the suit of the Farmers' Loan & Trust company of New York against the receivers of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company was on trial. Ex-Senator Dolph of Oregon appeared for the Trust company and Senator Thurston of Nebraska appeared for the railway. The suit, which involves a number of issues, grew out of an action for the foreclosure of a mortgage brought by the loan company against the Oregon Railway & Navigation company.

The Stanford Case Appeared.

San Francisco, Oct. 16.—The Stanford case has been appealed to the supreme court of the United States. To-day the order allowing the appeal was signed in the United States court of appeals.

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